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We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

- 1. Transmittal Letter Re Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371 (2 pages in duplicate)
- 2. Substitute Specification and Abstract (43 pages, 64 claims)
- 4. Formal Drawings (5 sheets)
- 5. Certificate of Express Mail (1 page)
- 6. Copy of International Search Report (4 sheets)
- 7. Copy of IPER (4 sheets)
- 8. Information Disclosure Statement (1 page)
- 9. Information Disclosure Citation (1 page)
- 10. References (5)

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